

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application as amended is respectfully requested. Claim 1 has been amended and claims 6-9 have been canceled. Claims 2 and 10-13 were previously canceled. As a result, claims 1 and 3-5 are in this application and are presented for the Examiner's consideration in view of the following comments.

Claim 6 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 as being directed to non-statutory subject matter. Applicants have canceled claim 6 and corresponding dependent claims 7, 8 and 9.

Claims 1 and 3-9 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Publication 2004/0062398 published April 1, 2004 for Robert Allan Unger (*Unger*). Applicants have amended claim 1 and have cancelled claims 6-9.

As suggested by the Examiner, Applicants have incorporated more of the specification into claim 1. In particular, Applicants' claim 1 now positively requires verification if the control packet is already stored in the table. Indeed, as noted by the Examiner, the problem addressed by Applicants' claimed invention never occurs in *Unger*. As such, *Unger* neither describes nor suggests this requirement of Applicants' claimed invention.

Conclusion

In view of the above, Applicants respectfully submit that independent claim 1 is allowable over *Unger*. As such, respective dependent claims 3-5 are also in condition for allowance.

As it is believed that all of the objections set forth in the Official Action have been fully met, favorable reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited. If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone Applicants' attorney in order to overcome any additional objections that the Examiner might have.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 07-0832 therefor.

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